

Congratulations to all the Riverheads players, coaches, staff, and fans on this incredible accomplishment.

HONORING WALTER F. ULLOA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. RUIZ) for 5 minutes.

Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the incredible life and legacy of Walter F. Ulloa, a friend and trailblazer who helped transform Spanish language media.

Walter was a visionary. He was also a beloved husband, father, brother, and my dear friend.

From B-Town, known as Brawley, to a global powerhouse, Walter got his start with humble beginnings in the Imperial Valley.

He was born in the impoverished farmworker city of Brawley in 1949, back when it was still a segregated community. His family lived on B Street on the east side of the tracks.

Like my parents and many others in the Imperial Valley, Walter's father, Walter Sr., and mother, Margaret, worked hard to give Walter and his brothers, Roland and Ronald, better opportunities for their futures.

Every day for 4 years, his father would drive from Brawley to San Diego to attend law school, instilling in Walter and his brothers the values of honesty, integrity, and a strong work ethic.

His mother provided for the family at home, building a strong foundation for Walter and his brothers and instilling in them the values of kindness and compassion.

Walter Sr. and Margaret's hard work helped move the family from the east side to the west side, and their guidance, support, and love helped Walter, Roland, and Ronald achieve great success.

Walter's skill as a young tennis champion catapulted him from tournaments in Indio and Palm Springs, California, all the way to the University of Southern California, where he earned his bachelor's degree.

He went on to attend Loyola Law School before briefly serving in the district attorney's office and working with the L.A. city youth employment summer program.

It wasn't until Walter began working at KMEX-TV in L.A., though, that his career in Spanish broadcast media began. At KMEX, he learned the business from the ground up, first working as a writer and eventually becoming the station's news director.

Walter's empire began to take shape when he joined forces with his business partners to acquire nearby stations, ultimately culminating in Entravision's founding. Under his watch, Entravision grew into a driving force in the media, delivering vital news to millions across the country.

The thing is, Walter was more than just a great entrepreneur and business-

man. He was also an exceptional leader who inspired his employees and increased representation across the board.

As Entravision grew, Walter made it a point to get to know everyone at his company, from the service workers to the news crews to the office staff. Everyone mattered to Walter, and they knew it.

Many looked to him as a father, a brother, and a mentor who inspired others with his integrity and authentic leadership. Through it all, he maintained his commitment to his roots, to diversity and inclusion, and to social justice. His mantra was: "We, as Latinos, need to see ourselves reflected in the media, and we have the numbers to do it."

I can't tell you how much that means to me and how much it means for Latinos and Latinas from the Imperial Valley to the Coachella Valley and all across our Nation.

Walter is an inspiration to us all. Born and bred in Brawley, he rose to the top. When it came to creating opportunities for others, he refused to take no for an answer.

Being born in a segregated community, he fought for Latino and Latina representation at every turn. Whether with Entravision, the L.A. Music Center board, LA84 Foundation, or the board of trustees for the Kennedy Center, Walter's legacy can be seen on screens all across America.

While we recognize the road ahead for equal representation is long, I have no doubt that future generations will carry the torch of his work to ensure we see the faces of Latinos and Latinas on our screens, that we hear the voices of Latinos and Latinas on the radio, and that we share the stories of Latinos and Latinas which are woven into the fabric of our Nation.

I will miss him dearly, and I know that countless others will, too. I respect him and admire him greatly. He was a true, loyal friend. He also had a genuine interest in me, believed in me, encouraged me, and supported me through thick and thin.

To his wife, Alexandra; son, Bruno; brothers, Roland and Ronald; and all his loved ones and to the entire Entravision family, know that you are in my heart and in my prayers.

Together, as we mourn his passing, let us celebrate the blessing he was in all of our lives, the impact he had on our community, and the mark he has left on our Nation's history.

REMEMBERING JUDGE HAROLD MURPHY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Georgia (Ms. GREENE) for 5 minutes.

Ms. GREENE of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a man who devoted his life to the service and protection of our Nation, Judge Harold Murphy.

Born in Felton, Georgia, in 1927, Judge Murphy attended West Georgia

College before serving in the Navy toward the end of World War II. He resumed his studies at the University of Mississippi and the University of Georgia's School of Law, where he graduated in 1949. He began a law practice in Haralson County, Georgia, and in 1950 was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives as the youngest member at that time.

Judge Murphy served five consecutive terms before stepping down in 1961 to focus on practicing law. In 1971, Judge Murphy was appointed by Governor Jimmy Carter to the Superior Court for the Tallapoosa Judicial Circuit. Following his election in 1976, President Carter nominated Judge Murphy to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. He was confirmed by the Senate on July 28, 1977.

For 45 years, he served his country on the Federal bench and became an acclaimed jurist and legal icon with a stellar reputation that extended far beyond Georgia. He always displayed a quick wit and a keen sense of humor, was kind and empathetic, and treated all those who appeared before him with courtesy and respect.

Judge Murphy once subpoenaed a talking myna bird who had "witnessed" a store robbery to testify in court. Judge Murphy's humor was only surpassed by his fairness and prudential impartiality. In fact, he is the only judge that was known to receive Christmas cards from inmates in prison that Judge Murphy himself had put away.

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He was so excruciatingly fair and impartial that during one case he even talked the defendant out of a guilty plea. Judge Murphy worked tirelessly and carried a full docket until the age of 90, when he took senior judge status in the Northern District of Georgia. He continued to preside over cases until his death on December 28, 2022.

Judge Murphy received many professional awards and recognitions, including from the State Bar of Georgia and the University of Georgia School of Law.

In 2014, Alabama State University renamed its graduate school after Judge Murphy in recognition of his landmark ruling in *Knight v. Alabama*, a long-running case that the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals asked him to handle involving the vestiges of racial segregation then present in the Alabama University system.

Above all else, Judge Murphy was a loving and devoted husband and father, and a strong role model who made everyone who knew him in northwest Georgia proud.

The daily sight of Judge Murphy leading his gaggle of clerks to lunch on Broad Street will be deeply missed by the community in Rome that he loved so much and that loved him back.

The people of the 14th District of Georgia therefore urge the House to